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To the Honorable the Senate and house of Representatives
of the United States in Congress assembled

The Memorial of the Rector, Church Wardens, and
Vestrymen of Christ Church in the City of Philadelphia

Respectfully Sheweth.

That about Eighty years ago a set of bells har-
monically tuned was placed in the Steeple of Christ
in the City of Philadelphia, being the only ring
or Chime of Bells in the City. They have since been
Constantly used upon occasions of public rejoicing
and also of public mourning, and have become an object
of considerable attachment to the Citizens. In the course
of the Revolutionary War, this feeling was shewn by
their removal into the interior of the State at the
expense of the Citizens to prevent their falling into
the hands of the enemy

That during the Severely cold weather of the last

Winter the arm of the largest bell gave way in Consequence of which the bell fell and was Cracked, and not being able to procure a bell of the proper note in this County, your memorialists have sent it to England accompanied by the Treble Bell of the Ring, that a bell of the proper note may be cast from the old materials, permission having previously been obtained of the British Government to import and export them from England, free of duty

Your memorialists respectfully pray Congress to pass a law to permit the importation of the said two Bells into the United States, free of duty

Signed on behalf and by order of the
Rector, Church Wardens and Vestrymen
of Christ Church

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Memorial to Congress

for

Admission of Kelly

24 May [1856]

Note Jas. Buchanan

Sam'l McKean

Philadelphia June 29th 1836.

To the Rector, Church Wardens
and Vestrymen, of Christ Church
in the City of Philadelphia.

Gentlemen

I have understood that in the arrangements to increase the accommodations of Christ Church, and for its general improvement, it has been considered necessary to cover over the stone in the Middle Aisle of the Church, under which, are deposited the remains of Richard Peters. D.D. and formerly Rector of the Church.—

It is not necessary for me to assure you, that in any thing you may do; no purposed disrespect to the memory of the Deceased, or the claims or feelings of those who survive and are the relatives of Dr Peters, can exist.—I do not doubt that all you can do, consistent with your obligations, and in due regard to those claims and feelings, will be done.—

Under these convictions, permit me respectfully to suggest that if the tomb stone of Dr Peters, shall be covered over, you place a tablet in some part of the Church, on which the names, ages, & periods of the decease, of those, whose remains have been deposited within the Church, shall be inscribed. If in the Church Books, a record shall also be made, of

the precise location of each stone, it will be more satisfactory. —

I am the Executor of my Father, Richard Peters deceased, who was also the surviving Executor, of the Reverend Richard Peters, and thus all the legal rights to interfere in this matter, are vested in me, and I shall consider your compliance with the proposition I have submitted, as a full performance, of all the claims I have, in these relations. —

I am,
Yours Very Respectfully,

Richd Peters

June 29. 1836

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Mrs Henry Hunt

No 48

W. Hampton Esq

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The mournful intelligence of the death of the Right Reverend William White D.D. Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, having reached the Bishop of the Diocese of New York while on an Episcopal visitation at New Rochelle, in the County of Westchester, on Monday July 18th 1836, the Clergy there assembled met, at the request of the Bishop, at the Parsonage house, the Bishop presiding, and the Rev. Peter S. Chauncey, of Rye, acting, by request, as Secretary; when it was unanimously

Resolved, that in the death of our late venerated Presiding Bishop, we contemplate an event, which, while it calls on us for meek and uncomplaining resignation to the will of Heaven, and enlists our sensibilities in sincere mourning for the bereavement which our whole Church has sustained in the loss of one of the ablest Counsellors, most judicious legislators, and most enlightened divines, and one of the best Christians, and most faithful ministers and Bishops with whom the world has been ever blessed, also bids every member of the Church, in his vocation and ministry, take heed that he duly profit by the merciful goodness of God which has so long spared such an example —

Resolved, that in tender our respectful and affectionate condolence to our Clerical and Lay brethren of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and of the Parishes of Christ Church, St Peters Church and St James's Church, Philadelphia, of which the Bishop was Rector, in the loss which they have sustained of one who so long, and so faithfully, fulfilled the varied duties of their ecclesiastical head; and also to the family of the venerated deceased in their peculiar affliction; with assurances of our prayers that the consolation, support, and sanctification of the Gospel may be richly with them in their sorrow —

Resolved, that in token of respect for the memory of the deceased, we will wear, for thirty days, crape hat bands, and crape scarfs on our official dress; and that those of us who are Rectors will recommend to their respective ~~vestries~~ the Clergy of their Churches, during the same period, in the customary manner —

Resolved, that copies of these proceedings be sent respectively, to the family of the late Right Reverend Bishop White, to the Right Reverend Henry U. Onderdonk D.D. his successor as Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and to the Wardens & Vestrymen respectively of Christ Church, St Peters Church and St James's Church, Philadelphia —

Resolved, that a copy
present, to be presented
that copies of the same,
and duly attested by
in the next preceding
Churchman and Gospel

A true copy
Attest,
J. C.

(Copy) We the subscribers, ...
in the above —

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July 19th

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Resolved, that a minute of these proceedings be signed by all present, to be presented by the Bishop of this Diocese, and that copies of the same, and of the signatures thereto, be prepared and duly attested by the Secretary, for the purposes mentioned in the next preceding resolution, and also for publication in the Churchman and Gospel Messenger —

(Signed) Benj: T. Onderdonk
— John Griffith
— Lawson Carter
— Moses Marcy
— D. L. Clowney
— Samuel Haskell

A true copy
Attest,
D. L. Clowney,
Secretary —

(Copy) The subscribers, not present on the above occasion, unite in the above — (Signed) Robt. Wm Harris,
— Wm Cooper Mead,
of the Diocese of Pennsylvania —

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Communication
Bishop & Clergy
of New York
on the death of Bishop
White July 1836

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Phila. July 22. 1831

Dear Sir,

I recind your communication yesterday announcing my election as Rector of Christ Church. Before returning you a formal answer I beg leave to inquire what provisions have been or will probably be made, for the present and hereafter, for my support in that office.

Very respectfully
your humble frend
& Servant
Jno. W. James

Mr Moses Kempton
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Acting under Doctors' directions I have brought my family here to take the Rail Road & Canal for the West of the State. Mrs. J.'s health has so far improved as to render this advisable. I intimated the possible necessity of my drawing on you in Pittsburgh; instead of this I will if convenient to you receive from you here $100. I do not know when I can call so that I will be obliged to you to leave an answer in the store. We start in the morning. — The Church shows more & more the propriety & beauty of the alterations, & in time no one will be reluctant to award to all concerned the credit that is due.

Very truly yours &c.

Jno. W. Jones

Thursday.

Mr. Moses Kempton

8/9/23.

The Bishop, & the Standing Comtee, of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Md., & also the clergy of the same church, residing in the city & vicinity, assembled in St Paul's parish Baltimore, & being informed of the decease of the Rt Rev Wm White D.D. Bishop of the Prot. Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania, & Senior Bishop of the same church in the United States;

Resolved, that the history & character of the deceased prelate are intimately interwoven with that of the Church of our affections in this country.

Resolved, that much of the stability of its institutions, they owe to his wisdom; much of what is safe, to his prudent counsels; of what is devout, to his example; of what is harmonious, to his influence; of what is sound & orthodox, to his apostolic teaching; of what is primitive in her usages & worship, to his inflexible attachment to the principles which so honourably distinguish her.

Resolved, that we regard with gratitude to the great head of the Church, the singularly prolonged ministry of the venerable patriarch lately entered to his rest, & submit

to the dispensation which deprives the church of his future personal counsels, with profound sensibility.

Resolved, that we will endeavour to derive from the standards of faith which his writings contain, from the recollection of his wise measures, & from the impression that his virtues have left upon our hearts, principles to guide, & animate, & console, us in the future vicissitudes to which the Church may be exposed.

Resolved, that copies of this brief & simple, but deeply felt, expression of reverence for our late Senior Bishop, be transmitted to his family, whom we beg to assure of our affectionate condolence in their affliction; to his successor, the Bp of the P.E. Church in Pennsylvania; to the Standing Com^tee of the Diocess; & to the vestries of the lately associate churches; & that we will wear the usual professional badges of mourning for the space of two months.

Communication of
the Bishop & Clergy of
Maryland assembled
at Baltimore
on the death of
Bishop White

Aug 9 1836

Extract from the minutes of the vestry of St Pauls' parish, Baltimore, July 19th 1836

The vestry having assembled, the Rector informed them that he had requested the meeting in order to communicate the painful intelligence of the decease of the Rt Rev Dr. White, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Pennsylvania, & senior Bishop of the same church in the United States.

Whereupon the vestry resolved; that the whole history & character of this eminent servant of God render the event, one of deep interest to us, & to the Church at large. And our sense of gratitude to him, for long continued & invaluable agency, in the extension of Christian privileges to this country; our reverence for his learning & talents; our admiration of his gentle & unassuming spirit & deportment, our love for his piety & devotion to his masters cause; call for the expression of our great sensibility upon the occasion of his lamented death.

Resolved, that while we aim at what we deem the truest testimony of respect, - an endeavour to imitate his virtues, &

to carry out the great object of his life in behalf of the Church, we desire publickly, to manifest our feelings, by all the usual expressions of regard; & that therefore, the pulpit, desk, & communion table, shall be clothed with black, for the space of two months; That the members of the vestry & church wardens will wear crape upon their arms for the same period; & that the Rector be requested to make the melancholy event the subject of reflection & improvement in a sermon.

Resolved, that copies of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased Bishop; to his successor the present Bishop of Pennsylvania; to the Standing Comtee of his diocess; & to the vestries of his Churches; with assurances of our affectionate & respectful condolence with them in their great bereavement

Communication from
St Paul's Church
Baltimore
on the subject of the death
of Bishop White
dated 19 July 1836

No 9 Answ

To the Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church.

Gentlemen.

By direction of the Vestry of St Stephen's Church I transmit to you the inclosed resolutions, adopted at a special meeting held on the 19th. inst.

Very respectfully Yours

A. D. Bache

Jr. S. P. V.

Philadelphia. July 21st. 1836.

To The Wardens & Vestry
of Christ Church
Philadelphia.

Communication
St. Stephens Church
on the South side
of Market above
Aug 21. 1836

At a special meeting of the Vestry of St. Stephen's Church held at the Church on Tuesday, the 19th. inst. the following preamble & resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in his Providence to remove from us by death the revered Bishop of our diocese, the Right Rev.d Wm Bacon Stevens D.D.

Therefore Resolved unanimously by the Rector Wardens & Vestrymen of St. Stephen's Church in the City of Philad.a that while we submissively acquiesce in the righteousness & the wisdom of the dispensation, which has deprived us of our beloved spiritual father, we deeply sympathize with the members of his family the people of his immediate pastoral care, the clergy & congregations of his diocesan charge, & the Church in the United States generally in the loss which they in common with us have sustained.

Resolved, that in token of our respect for the memory of the revered deceased we will wear the usual badges of mourning sixty days.

Resolved that we will, in a body, attend the funeral tomorrow morning.

Resolved that we heartily approve of the proceedings of the Rector & Wardens, in directing funeral drapery to be put up in St. Stephen's Church, & the bell to be tolled immediately on the occurrence of the Bishop's decease

on Sunday last, that the same funeral drapery be continued in the Church until Christmas day next, & that the Sexton be directed to have the bell muffled & tolled, tomorrow from sunrise until after the conclusion of the funeral obsequies

Resolved that Rector & Wardens be a committee to wait in person upon the family of Bishop White at such a time as they may think proper, with a copy of these resolutions, that copies of the same be sent to our friends & brethren the wardens & vestrymen of Christ Church, the wardens & vestrymen of St. Peter's Church, & the wardens & vestrymen of St. James' church in this city, with assurances of our condolence in the event which has deprived them of one of the best of Pastors, & all of us of one of the best of Bishops.

Extract from the Minutes

Wm. Dallas Bache

Sec. pro temp. Vestry of

St Stephen's

At a meeting of the Board of Managers of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, held at the Protestant Episcopal Press in the city of New York July 22. 1836, the Rev. Thomas Lyell DD. was called to the Chair, and the following Preamble and resolutions were adopted:—

The Board of Managers of the General Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, having learned that God in his wise Providence, has released from any further service on earth, and taken we doubt not to a state of "joy and felicity," the Rt. Rev. William D.D. Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania & presiding Bishop of the house of Bishops, therefore,

Resolved, That while we bow in humble Submission, under the bereavement which the family of the deceased and the whole church have sustained in the death of this venerated Man, Christian and Prelate, we acknowledge a debt of the most heartfelt and entire gratitude to the Lord Almighty Being, for the long period our departed father was permitted to remain on earth, to benefit the Church by his profound wisdom, extensive learning, and mild and conciliatory disposition, and to show forth in his life, the holy and yet cheerful influence of the "truth as it is in Jesus," and of which he was such an able expounder.

Resolved, That in the death of the Rt. Rev.

William White D.D. the Sunday School cause has lost a most devoted friend and able advocate, - he having been President of the first Sunday School Society formed in this country, in the year 1791, and entitled the First day or Sunday School Society, and having ever since that period, manifested a most lively interest in the subject, presiding during the session of our last Semiannual convention, at the Triennial meeting of the Semiannual Protestant Episcopal Sunday School Union, and becoming a "Patron" of the same.

Resolved, That since, in the whole life of this bright exemplar of every Christian virtue and grace, the child-like simplicity so strongly recommended in the Gospel, as peculiarly becoming the followers of the meek and lowly Jesus, was ever conspicuous, his is a character preeminently deserving to be held up to our Sunday School children, as well as to all others, for imitation.

Resolved, That the members of this Board, while they sympathize most deeply with the family of the deceased, the congregations of which he had charge, and the diocese over which he presided, in the loss they have experienced, are devoutly thankful, he has left behind him a name so much honored and beloved, a character so irreproachable and pure, a fame so bright and endearing, a testimony to the purifying, ennobling and sustaining nature of the faith of the Gospel, so decided clear and triumphant.

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Resolved, That the Chairman of this meeting be furnished with attested copies of the foregoing resolutions, and that he be requested to transmit the same, to the family of the deceased, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, and the Wardens & Vestrymen, respectively, of Christ Church, St. Peter's and St. James' in the city of Philadelphia -

Attest,

F. H. Cummins
Secretary of the Semiar
Prot. Epis. S. School Union.

22 July 1836

Resolutions of a
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Address of Fathers
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N. Y. July 22. 1836.

Gentlemen,

I need not assure you how deeply we all, in this City, sympathize with you in the affliction you have experienced in the loss of your Rector the venerable and incomparable Bishop White— Owing to the absence of our Bishop from the City we have been prevented from taking measures at an earlier date to express our grief— but having received a letter from him, we are now adopting such steps as the melancholy occasion calls for— and I enclose you, as among our first acts, the following resolutions adopted this morning at a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Gen. Prot. Epis. Sunday School Union— Very respectfully Yr Obdt Servt

To the /

Wardens & Vestrymen

of Christ Church

Philadelphia

The undersigned Inhabitants of Marlborough, in the Parish of Christ Church, Wm Hampton will please present to that Body at the first Meeting that may be held by them.

Respectfully &c

Wm Wells

July 25 1831

20 July 1836

Note from D. H. White

Melancholy Resignation

of Lately by Ed Ely

Mr Moses Hemenway

one of the Wardens

of Christ Church

Bunker Hill

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Newyork 27 July 1826

At a meeting of the Episcopal Clergy of Newyork & its vicinity held at the request of their Diocesan to take such measures as may properly express their regret for the loss of Bishop White & their sense of his service to the Church, The Revd. Dr. Lyell was called to the chair & the Revd. Mr. Bayard was appointed Secretary.

On motion Resolved that a Committee of five be appointed to draft certain resolutions expressive of the sense of this meeting

Whereupon the following gentlemen were appointed Revd. Dr. McVickar, Rev. Dr. Milnor, Revd. Dr. Turner, Revd. Professor Whittingham & Revd. Mr. Richmond. The Committee forthwith reported the following preamble & resolutions which were unanimously adopted.

"Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in his wise Providence to remove from the scene of his earthly labours in the eighty ninth year of his age & the forty ninth of his Episcopal consecration The Right Revd. William White D.D. Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania & Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Therefore Resolved, that we sincerely condole with the Bishops Clergy & Laity of the Church in those States in this mournful event which has bereaved us of that great & good Prelate whom we all had delighted to honour as the most distinguished among the Spiritual Fathers of our Zion.

Resolved, That while we participate with deep regret & heartfelt grief of our fellow Churchmen for such a loss we there also as we humbly trust in their feelings of devout gratitude to God that he has spared for a period which but few can hope to attain ("his eye not dim nor his natural force abated") to shed upon the Church the steady lustre of his public life & to adorn it by the unrivalled excellence of his private character.

Resolved. That we regard it as our high privilege & duty to record the profound respect veneration & love which fill our hearts at every recollection of those noble qualities & heavenly graces which conferred upon him preeminence peculiarly his own & will leave his name an imperishable memorial of his distinguished & successful agency in the early organization of our Church in this County; his untiring zeal & exertions in seeking her good so conspicuous in every page of her past vicissitudes & her present prosperity; his paternal superintendance Apostolic Spirit admirable wisdom & inestimable lessons as the Head for the last half century of our highest Ecclesiastical councils; his learning & acquirements as a Theologian; his faithfulness & stability in every department of duty as a Christian minister & Bishop, his simplicity of manners, sweetness of disposition unsullied purity of life & universal benevolence of heart, & above all his sincere & unaffected piety which approving all things that are excellent, abounding in all the fruits of righteousness which are by Jesus Christ to the praise & God, made his career on Earth a joyful light, & has closed it with a hope full of glory known & immortality.

Resolved, That we regard this visitation of Divine Providence as a solemn summons to our clergy & people to increased watchfulness & zeal in their vocation & ministry & earnestly beseech Almighty God that the influence of the good example of our venerated Patriarch whose face & whose counsels we shall see & hear no more may so rest upon our Zion as to knit us indissolubly together in one communion & fellowship holding the faith in Unity of Spirit in the bond of peace & in righteousness of life & having always in our remembrance "how he exhorted & comforted & charged every one of us as a father doth his children that we should walk worthy of God who hath called us to his kingdom & glory.

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Resolved - That in testimony of our respect for the memory of the deceased we will wear for sixty days crape hat bands & crape scarfs on our official dress, & those of us who are Rectors will recommend to their respective vestries the placing of their Churches in mourning except where some action or order has already been taken upon the subject.

Resolved, That Copies of these resolutions signed by the Chairman & attested by the Secretary be sent respectively to the Bishop of the Diocese, to the family of the late Rt Rev Bishop White with the expression of our respectful sympathy - to the Rt. Rev. H. U. Onderdonk DD. his successor as Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania - to the Wardens & Vestrymen of the parishes of which the deceased was the Rector and to the Secretary of the Convention of that Diocese.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this meeting duly certified be published in the Churchman, & in the Gospel Messenger.

Signed, Thomas Lyell
Chairman

Attested - L. P. Bayard, Secretary -

For. The Wardens & Vestry of

St. Peters Church

Philadelphia

At a meeting of the Bishop and many of the Clergy of the Diocese of Connecticut, holden at Christ Church, Hartford, August 4. 1836. immediately after the Commencement exercises of Washington College, the Rev. Doctors Jarvis, Burhans and Croswell were appointed a Committee to report resolutions suitable to express the reverence of the meeting for the memory of the late Bishop White.

The following Preamble and Resolutions were thereupon reported and adopted.

Whereas it has pleased Almighty God in his wise Providence to take out of this world the soul of the Right Reverend Father in God William White, Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of Pennsylvania, who for more than forty years presided uninterruptedly in the General Councils of our Apostolic Church, and from whose hands all our present Bishops, with but one exception, have received the Apostolic office;

Therefore be it resolved,

First, that, regarding the deceased prelate as our spiritual Father, we will for the space of thirty days wear the usual symbols of mourning and recommend to our brethren not present to do the same.

Secondly, that it be recommended to the several parishes of this

diocese to follow the same rule by which they have heretofore been guided, in case of the decease of a Bishop of this Diocese, by hanging their Churches in black for the space of one calendar month.

Thirdly, that it be recommended to the clergy who have cures to take notice of this afflictive event in a discourse suited to the occasion.

Fourthly, that we express in our own names, and we hesitate not to add, in the names of all the clergy of this diocese, to the Bishop and Clergy of Pennsylvania, to the United Churches of which the venerable prelate deceased was the Rector, and to his son, and the other members of his family, our deep sympathy in a bereavement peculiarly afflictive to them, but shared in common by all the members of our Church.

Fifthly, that while we are filled with gratitude to the Father of Mercies for having so long delayed the present afflictive dispensation, we feel that it is a time in which it becomes all the members of our communion to engage in fervent prayer that the great Head of the church will shed upon us the dew of his blessing, that so we may continue in that unity and godly love, which have been preserved through the whole period in which the deceased Bishop presided over our councils.

Resolved finally, that a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the Right Reverend Doctor Onderdonk, as the Bishop of Pennsylvania, to the Senior Warden of the United Churches of Christ, St. Peter's, and St. James', and to Thomas White Esq. the only son of

the late Bishop.

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W. Wyatt has the honor of transmitting respectfully to the Vestry of Christ Ch. in Philadelphia the enclosed copies of resolutions adopted in Md. in reference to the recent lamented death of the venerable Senior Bp. of the Prot. Epis. Ch. in the U.S.

Baltimore Aug 4th 1836

P.S. The enclosed have been detained in expectation of a private conveyance

Dublin 4th mo 1836

P. E. Wyatt

Informing Communicating

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29th 1836

Philadelphia

To

The Vestry of Christ Church

8/6/79

At a special meeting of the Wardens and Vestry of Christ Church held on the Evening of Tuesday August 2nd the following resolutions were unanimously adopted,

Resolved, That we have heard with great regret of the loss sustained by the church throughout the United States, in the removal of their beloved Father and Head, the Rt. Rev. Bp. White,

Resolved, That while they cannot but be deeply grieved at the event, they feel bound to cherish a grateful sense of the goodness of the Great Shepherd and Bishop of the church, for having so long spared to her, so bright an example of Christian perfection and so eminently distinguished a Counsellor and Guide,

Resolved, That as a testimony of their feelings and a slight expression of their regret, they will cause their Church to be put in mourning.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted to the family of the late Bishop White, to the Wardens and Vestrymen of Christ

Church & To the Rt. Rev. Hobt. Onderdonk Bishop
of the Diocese of Pennsylvania —

Attest

H. C. Lyle
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To the Wardens & Vestrymen of Christ Church
Philadelphia
Pennsylvania

Communication
on the Book-Plate
from Elihu Chauncey
to Congress

At a special meeting of the vestry of Christ Church, Savannah, held on Monday, August 22nd 1836. The following preamble & resolutions were unanimously adopted.

The recent loss which our Church has sustained in the death of the Right. Reverend Bishop White, calling for the expression of the profound feelings of reverence for his memory, esteem for his virtues, & admiration of his eminent abilities, entertained by this congregation, it was On motion,

Resolved, That this vestry feel the deepest respect for the memory of Bishop White, late Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, whose long faithful, & eminently useful services as Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, had endeared him to the whole Church, whose purity of character, & conformity of life to the precepts of the Gospel, rendered him eminently qualified to advance the Redeemer's Kingdom on Earth.

Resolved, That while we sympathize with the Church in general under this afflicting dispensation, & mine especially with the family of the deceased, & the congregation among whom he statedly ministered, we feel that we have great cause of gratitude to Almighty God, that such

a man was so long spared to the Church on earth,
for the fairer hope that this "valiant Soldier of
the cross," when taken full of years & honours, hope for heaven,
has but gone to his station in the ranks of the
Church triumphant.

Resolved, That as in Bishop White, the
Church has lost one to whom she was wont
to look for advice & counsel, this dispensation
of Providence should impress upon us the increas-
ed necessity of purity & godly love; & that the benefit
of his bright example be continued to us.

Resolved, That the Secretary forward a copy
of these resolutions to Thos. White, Esq. son of
the late Bishop White, & to the Vestries of Christ,
St Peters, & St Pauls Churches, Philadelphia.

By order of Vestry

Wm H Barton Sec'y to Vestry

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To The vestry of Christ Church

Philadelphia

Communicate from

Saml. Ord &c

Aug 1838

Stanbridge
An petition by a small
Organ for Ch Ch
11 Dec 1839

Moses Kempton Esqre

Present

Moses Kempton Esqre

Dear Sir —

I find that a small Organ
of 2 Stops, can be obtained of
Mr. Mayo, for the sum of £10
for the use of it, for 10 Sundays —
if only wanted for 5 or 6 sundays
something more in proportion say
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same sum to take it away,
& to be at the risk of Ch: Church
(making for 10 weeks not over £20) —
This instrument is quite small,
but would do to accompany
the Chants & Psalms, & in my
opinion would be preferable to
a larger instrument, as there

would be but little danger of
it' being mistaken for the large
new one — This is the best
that I know of — at any rate
this can be got if nothing better
can — The Terms are moderate
I think, as could be expected, perhaps
more so —

I am
very respy
yrs &c
J. W. Standbridge

Tuesday morning —
Oct. 11. 1836

Philadelphia Oct 14. 1836

Mr Henry Erben
New York } Sir

By the terms of your Contract made with us Oct 17. 1835 for an Organ for Christ Church in this City — you were to have the Instrument Completely finished tuned in the Church by the last day of August 1836

More than a Month beyond that time having elapsed, with no common disappointment and regret that we have learnt through a communication from Mr Hall to the Rector, made at the House of the former in New York on the 4th Inst — that the Organ was not completed — would not be so for two months — and perhaps not even then.

Relying on what we had understood was your ability to fulfil your Contract in all respects — knowing that the Agreement had allowed you the most ample time, and sustained by your own declarations of your punctuality in the delivery of your Instruments, and your promise in this particular instance, — we confidently trusted that we should not meet with disappointment from you — Accordingly, in a Statement made in May last in the papers of our City in relation to the intended alterations and improvements in Christ Church (in which more than common interest had been taken by the public) the large Organ with the name of its Maker, was particularly noticed — Throughout the Summer, very frequent and earnest enquiries have been made of us as to the time of the opening of your Organ, to all which we have confidently answered that it would be finished in good time, and that then we would be no disappointment —

The present state of Matters therefore, in addition to the very serious inconvenience to the Church, is attended with no little personal Mortification to ourselves, as the Congregation look to us for their Instrument, and hold us in a measure responsible for your performance of the Contract — We feel that we have from having expended sundry, in making the Contract with you, to some imputations in declining the

Offers of the building of our own City in favour of those
said ourselves. We trust to find our
exculpation is your superiority, certainly in your fidelity.

It will rather be due to ourselves, to state, in
the public notice which must shortly be given of
the reopening of the Church, that the expected Organ
will not be in its place, Mr Henry Erben of New York
having failed to perform his Contract made with
the Committee upwards of a year since —

As to the loan of a small Organ to supply the
place of the large Instrument Contracted for, which
we understand to have been made in your
behalf, we declare it altogether —

We have at all times been ready to fulfil our
part of the Contract, the funds have been at hand,
and you have actually received the Organ —
for which claim you are now our debtors under
the Contract One Thousand Dollars

We now wish for our own safety and that of
the Church, to form our determination at once as
to the course we shall pursue. and we therefore
must request to have from you without any
delay

We are Sir
Your Obt. servts
Manasseh Cutler
Horace Penny
by Horace Penny Jr

Copy
Manasseh Cutler &
Horace Penny Esqrs
Oct 18th 1830

New York 30th Oct 1836

Moses Kempton Esq.

Sir

The letter addressed to Mr. A Rhew by yourself and Mr Binney was duly received, but owing to his absence from the City it has remained unanswered in expectation of his return. I make no doubt he will be here to morrow or the next day and will proceed to Phila. the beginning of the week to see you personally respecting the Agency which is progressing very rapidly, and every exertion is being made to complete it as expeditiously as possible

Very Respectfully
Yr. Obt. Servt.
Thos Hall

Steamboat Oct. 1816
Tho. Jefferson

Moses Kempton Esq.

Philadelphia

To the Wardens and Vestrymen of
Christ Church, Philadelphia.

Gentlemen:

At the request of the Rev. Isaac Peck, it gives me great pleasure to introduce him to you. He has been, for about five years, a Presbyter of my Diocese, and I must in justice add, has commended himself to my personal regards, as a gentleman, a Christian, and a clergyman, in such a way as to secure for him my affection, esteem, and confidence. His professional qualifications I consider as of a superior character; and I should augur well for the interests of the parish of which he may be appointed the Rector.

I have the honour to be
Gentlemen,
Yours with great esteem,
Benj. T. Onderdonk

New York, December 22. 1836.

New York
22 Dec 1836

R R Bp Onderdonk. D.D.
Bishop of New York

Rector of Christ Ch
recommending
the Rev. Isaac Peck

Rev. Isc. Peck.
Plainfield Mass.

Mr. Hamilton
Assistant Minister
Christ Church
New York

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